# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3517
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SETHUSAMUDRAM NAHAR PROJECT
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**Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether Sethusamudram Nahar Project has been sanctioned by the Government;

(b) if so, the length of the canal that would be constructed under this project; and

(c) the beneficiary States and the target fixed, if any for the completion of the project?

## Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) Sethusamudram Ship Channel Project is yet to be approved by the Competent Authority.

(b) Length of the proposed channel is about 167 Kms.

(c) All the Ports situated on the Eastern and the Western coasts and in turn, all Maritime States are likely to be benefited. The project is expected to be completed within 3 years after obtaining all necessary clearances and approval.